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Applicant: Michael McMahon et al.
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For: **INSERTION APPARATUS FOR ATTACHING SLIDERS
ONTO ZIPPER BAGS AND FILM**
Examiner: Sameh Tawfik

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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In the communication mailed June 3, 2004, a requirement for restriction was imposed.

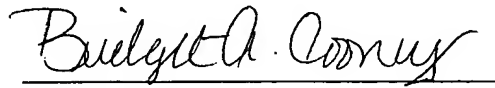
The Examiner contends that claims 4-20 are directed to three (3) distinct groups of inventions:

- I. Claims 4-15, drawn to an apparatus for inserting a slider onto a zipper, classified in class 493, subclass 213.
- II. Claims 16-18, drawn to a method for inserting a slider onto a zipper, classified in class 493, subclass 114.

III. Claims 19-20, drawn to a positional, classified in class 493, subclass 394.

In response, Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I for continued prosecution on the merits. Applicants do not believe any fees are due with this response. However, if any fees are due please charge such sums to our Deposit Account 50-1145.

Respectfully submitted,

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